REMARKS

Claims 1, 9, 16 and 23 have been amended to include a step of displaying information representing the number of plates to be used to print the predetermined number of labels as suggested by the Examiner to overcome the rejection of Claims 1-27 under 35 U.S.C. § 101. As such, Claims 1-27 are believed to be allowable under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Claim 8 has been amended to correct a typographical error found therein.

Transmitted herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome the provisional, non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting of Claims 1-7, 9-11, 13-18 and 20-26 in view of the copending application No. 09/965,359.

Further, a Petition Under 37 C.R.F. 1.78(a)(3) for Unintentionally Delayed claim for Benefit of Earlier Filing Date Under 35 U.S.C. § 120 is being filed concurrently herewith, a copy of which is enclosed.

In view of the above, Claims 1-27 are believed to be allowable. Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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